

Introduction to Newspaper Collections

Archives and Information Services
Second Saturday Workshop Series
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What this session covers

- What you can find in newspapers
- How to access TSLAC's newspaper collections
- Other newspaper sources



Introduction

What's in a newspaper?

- News
- Feature articles
- Advertisements
- Editorials
- Announcements:
 - Births, deaths, weddings, obituaries, accidents, and other events of significance



TSLAC Newspapers on Microfilm

- Our <u>newspapers on microfilm</u> listing shows reels that may be available to use in the Reference reading room or through interlibrary loan (ILL).
- **In person use.** Staff will orient you to the microfilm readers.
 - To request a hold in advance of your visit, call 512-463-5455 or email ref@tsl.texas.gov with the specific newspaper title and date.
- Interlibrary loan. Not local to Austin? Ask your local library about the ILL program. TSLAC can loan up to five (5) microfilm reels from our collection to your library.
- TSLAC staff are unable to search newspapers on your behalf or provide you with scans or copies. If in person use or interlibrary loan do not meet your needs, consider contacting a <u>private</u> <u>researcher</u>.

TSLAC Original Newspapers

- Our <u>original newspapers</u> listing shows newspapers that are available to use in the Archives reading room.
 - The listing above is organized alphabetically by newspaper title.
 To search the document, hold down the Ctrl and F keys on your keyboard, then enter your search terms.
- In person use. Staff will pull the newspaper issues for you.
 - To request a hold in advance of your visit, email
 <u>archinfo@tsl.texas.gov</u> with the newspaper title, date, and box
 number as provided in the listing.
- TSLAC staff are unable to make copies or scans from our original newspapers. If you are unable to view the materials in person, consider contacting a <u>private researcher</u>.

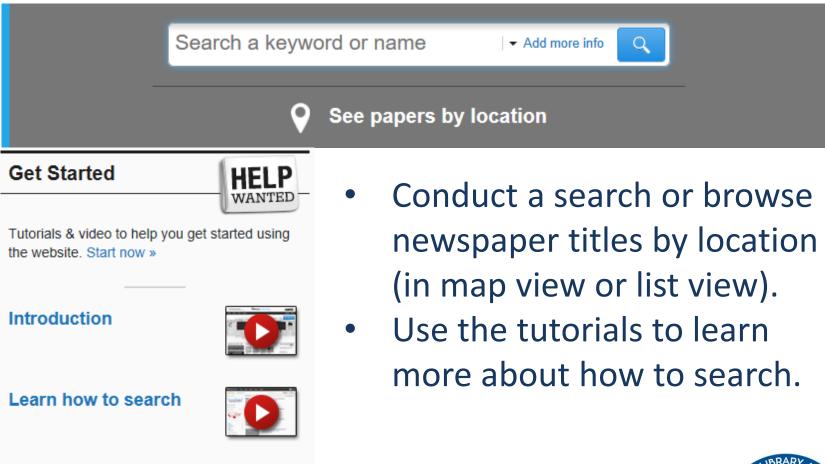
Online Newspaper Subscriptions

- TSLAC subscribes to the Texas editions of Newspapers.com* and Newspaper Archive*.
 This includes all Texas newspapers available through these databases.
- Check with your local library about their newspaper subscription databases.
- Search tip: names can be misspelled.
 Try alternate spellings, nicknames, initials, etc.



^{*}available on site on the reading room computers

Newspapers.com





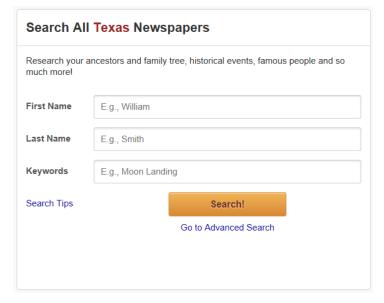


Newspaper Archive

Alice

Alvin

Browse by Location | Browse by Date | Search | Help





Explore Texas Historical Newspapers by City

Abilene Clute Graham Marfa Albany Coleman Granbury Mason College Station Grand Prairie McAllen Colmesneil Grand Saline Alpine Mckinney Columbus Grandfalls Menard

San Luis San Marcos San Saba Sanger Sealy

- Browse by location, date, or conduct a search for a name or keyword.
- Browse by city, newspaper title, and date.
- Use the Help link for tutorials.



Other Newspaper Sources

- The Portal to Texas History's <u>Texas Digital</u>
 <u>Newspapers Program</u>. Hosted by the University of North Texas, the Portal includes a collection of digitized newspapers that can be searched and narrowed down by county and time period.
- The Dolph Briscoe Center for American History's <u>newspaper listings</u>. Located at the University of Texas at Austin, this collection includes international, U.S., and Texas newspapers.

Other Newspaper Sources

- Worldcat.org. A catalog of library holdings worldwide, including libraries' holdings for specific newspaper titles.
- The Library of Congress' <u>U.S. Newspaper Title</u> <u>Directory from 1690-Present</u>. You can search the directory by state, county, and time period. Click on a newspaper title to see a listing of libraries that may have copies.
- <u>Texas Press Association Newspaper Search</u>. An online directory of Texas newspapers and their contact information. Current newspapers may have their own archives or back issues.

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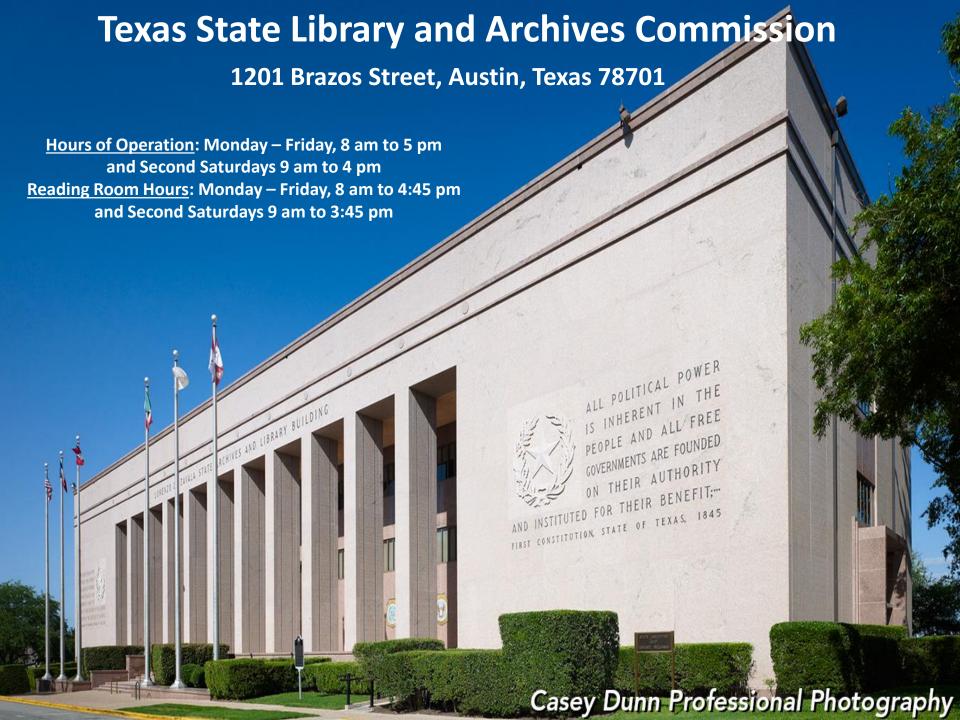
- N. W. Ayer & Son newspaper directories. You can search by state and city, or browse alphabetically by newspaper title. The directories include details like: frequency, language, political affiliation, and notes on audience by religion or race. Early editions have been digitized through the <u>Library of Congress</u> and the <u>University of North Texas</u>. Copies in our collection are available for in person use and are described in our online catalog at:
 - N. W. Ayer & Son's American newspaper annual: <u>1901 & 1908</u>
 - N. W. Ayer & Son's American newspaper annual and directory: <u>1910-1928</u> (incomplete)
 - N. W. Ayer & Son's directory of newspapers and periodicals: <u>1930-1965</u> (incomplete)



Related Materials

- Genealogy Resources at TSLAC
- County Records on Microfilm
- City Directories





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